

Part 3 - Remarks

The specification of the above identified application has been amended to insert the serial numbers corresponding to the attorneys docket numbers, in the manner set forth in Part 1 hereof:

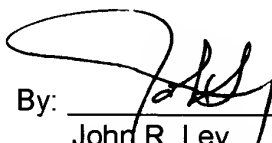
The application was filed with 37 claims. This Preliminary Amendment adds additional claims 38-43. It is respectfully requested that the additional claims 38-43 be examined simultaneously with the original claims 1-37.

The new claims 38-43 relate to the use of resilient adhered-together plastic beads in the formation of a support structure for a cushion, in the manner set forth in those claims. The subject matter of these new claims is described at page 10, lines 12-17, as well as in the co-pending application Serial No. 10/628,858, which has been incorporated in this application by reference. No new matter is believed to have been added by new claims 38-43.

Favorable consideration of the original and new claims is respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned to discuss any issue that might facilitate examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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